

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

May 10, 2011

On Saturday, January 22, 2011, shortly before 8:00 p.m., Long Beach police officers responded to a convenience store in the 1900-block of East 4th Street regarding a call of shots fired. When officers arrived, they discovered the body of 53-year-old Sor Phouam, who was a well-known and long-time store employee. Sor had sustained a gunshot wound to his upper torso and was taken to a local hospital where he later died.

A preliminary investigation revealed that two male suspects entered the business with the intent to commit a robbery. They approached the counter where a male customer was in the process of completing his purchase. One of the suspects removed a chrome handgun from his waistband and pointed it at the clerk. Seeing the store clerk being robbed, the customer attempted to leave the store but was stopped by the suspect with the gun, who demanded his money. After taking money from the customer, the suspect turned his attention back to Sor and fatally shot him.

Detectives have released a video depicting the suspects and few witnesses have come forward so far. Detectives feel it would be beneficial to offer a reward, which may prompt reluctant witnesses to come forward and provide information to identify the individuals responsible for this crime. They can remain anonymous.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors reestablish the offer of a \$10,000 dollar reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s) of this heinous crime.

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